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HIGH HOPES CENTRED ON ANGLO-IRISH CONVERSATIONS

LONDON, TO-DAY.

GREAT EXPECTATIONS WITH REGARD TO THE NEAR FUTURE APPEARS TO REPRESENT THE SUM TOTAL OF THE ACHIEVEMENT OF MR. DE VALERA, PRESIDENT OF THE IRISH FREE STATE, AND MR. MALCOLM MACDONALD IN THEIR LONG PRIVATE TALK LAST NIGHT.

No great immediate results are to be expected, and it is admitted that although the conversations yesterday lasted altogether five hours, they could not be regarded officially as "helpful."

Coming in the nature of a complete surprise to political circles, it is learned that the talks centred round present outstanding points in the political and economic issues between the two countries without discovery any definite common ground of understanding.

Nevertheless, while no formal decisions were reached, it is gathered that the utmost cordiality prevailed and it is hoped that a basis has been made for further reconversations which will yield more concrete results.

NEVER HEARD OF SOVIETS!

RUSSIAN FIND IN RUSSIA

TAKING THE TORCH BY ROADWAYS

Moscow, To-day. The process of taking a census in remote corners of Soviet Russia has revealed the amazing fact that in Siberia there are numerous peasant colonies, whose inhabitants have never heard of the existence of the Soviet State!

This revelation caused such a profound impression in Moscow that it was forthwith decided that such outlying districts, cut off from the rest of Russia through lack of means of communication, will, as quickly as possible, be linked with other parts of the country by roads or, in some cases, railways—Trans-Ocean.

TAIKOO DOCKS TRAGEDY

Two Men Knocked Into Water

Two workmen, Cheung Kau and Tung On, were knocked into the harbour while working at Taikoo Docks yesterday and have apparently been drowned.

In a report to the Police, Mr. Bird, said that the men were from a gang of coolies loading iron plates on to a lighter. One of the iron plates slipped and knocked them into the water. They immediately disappeared and though every search was made for them, they have not been found.

PEI CHUNG-HSI TO FLY NORTH

Canton, To-day. A message from Kweli states that General Pei Chung-hsi, will fly to Shanghai to-morrow to meet Mr. Wang Ching-wei, the former Premier, and then go to Fengtian, to interview the Generalissimo. —Our Own Correspondent.



Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, the Secretary of State for the Dominions, shown with his father, Mr. Ramsay MacDonald.

FOREIGN RESIDENTS IN GRAVE PERIL

HOSTAGE AGAINST AIR RAIDS

Shanghai, To-day. Anxiety over the safety of foreigners who are still in Shensi and Yenan, particularly in the Sianfu area, has been increased by an official admission that the Government is unable to bring them away by aeroplane.

The Government cannot send planes to Sian owing to the danger of their detention by the rebels.

It is generally conceded that the situation from a political standpoint is more hopeful to-day than it has ever been since the Fianna Fail came into power.

CITIZENS OF EMPIRE. What the Irish people demand is firstly, a settlement of the economic war, and after that has been accomplished, a permanent agreement with Britain which will safeguard their position as citizens of the British Commonwealth of Nations.—Reuter.

VALUABLE FIRST STEP

London, To-day. — The unexpected pourparlers between Mr. De Valera and Mr. Malcolm MacDonald are the subject of considerable comment and speculation in the London newspapers.

The impression in political circles is stated to be that these discussions form the first step towards the improvement of Anglo-Irish relations, which have been under a cloud ever since the De Valera Government took office in 1932.

Reports from Dublin correspondents also show that a similar impression appears to have been produced there.

In the capital of the Irish Free State, it is believed that Mr. De Valera wishes to arrive at a settlement of the differences between Great Britain and Ireland in view of the Parliamentary elections which will be held in the Irish Free State in the autumn in connection with the new constitution.—Trans-Ocean.

HITLER DEFAMED IN PAMPHLET

Confiscation Order In Holland

Amsterdam, To-day. A pamphlet defaming Chancellor Hitler, published by the Left Wing politician, Maurits Dekker, has been confiscated in the Rotterdam, Dordrecht and Vlaardingen, by order of the States' Attorney in Rotterdam, because it

ESTEPONA FAILS TO REBEL FORCES

HERRIOT ON FRENCH AIM FOR PEACE

STRIKING SPEECH IN CHAMBER

AN INVITATION TO CONCILIATION

PARIS, To-day.

A striking speech appealing for amicable settlement of international difficulties was made by M. Herriot, President of the Chamber, in his inaugural address to the reassembled Deputies.

M. Herriot began by surveying the work of the Chamber last year and then made reference to international problems.

France, declared M. Herriot, had often been slandered.

The fact was that she had done nothing but extend her hand in true loyalty to her friends and had also and still extended it to her former enemies of the World War.

FINAL PEACE STATUTE

France had repeatedly attempted to give other nations the final peace statute just as she once gave them the Code of Individual Rights.

She had set great hopes on the League of Nations which, despite many disappointments, she still trusted and hoped to perfect.

France did not want to build up its own prosperity on the poverty of any other nation. She knew that the race in armaments was

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BIG LILLE STRIKE SETTLED

Foremen Decide To Return

PARIS, To-day.

The strike in the metal industries of Lille has at last come to an end after engineers and foremen, who had been on strike for the last four days, agreed to resume their duties and press their demands by direct negotiations with the employers.

The meal workers accordingly returned to work in the factories yesterday morning.

The strike had lasted altogether 54 working days. As regards the Pompey Steel works arbitration, an award has been made which provides that strike leaders must be reinstated but are to refrain from active service as works' councillors for a period of one year.—Trans-Ocean.

contains "serious charges against the head of a State with which Holland is maintaining friendly relations."—Trans-Ocean.

Two plans for covering the extra costs which the new system will entail have been presented.

One, by the Railway Com-

ATTEMPT TO LAND TROOPS ON BEACH FAILS

BARCELONA, To-day.

THE FRANCO CRUISER "ALMIRANTE CERVIRA" IS REPORTED TO HAVE BEEN BADLY DAMAGED, WITH HEAVY LOSS OF LIFE ABOARD, WHEN HIT TWICE BY LOYALIST AIRCRAFT YESTERDAY AFTERNOON, WHILE THE CRUISER WAS ENGAGED IN THE SHELLING OF MALAGA.

In the course of a violent assault by land, sea and air, in an attempt by the Burgos armies to take Malaga by storm, plans had apparently been made to land troops from the sea under the cover of the guns of the "Almirante Cervira," the "Lans Canarias" and a gunboat.

Intervention by a powerful bombing squadron frustrated the plan. The "Almirante Cervira" was struck by two 200 lb. bombs and was compelled to limp off in the direction of Ceuta, with other craft following, being heavily bombed as they fled, according to a Valencia communiqué.

Much loss of life and damage was caused in the city by shellfire and aerial bombardment, but the land attack, which resulted in the capture of Estepona, was held up at that point.

Renter's, Barcelona correspondent says that many people were killed and injured and serious damage done to property in large-scale land, sea and air operations against Malaga.

From Valencia, Renter gives a statement describing the engagement by the Ministry of Marine, and reporting that two cruisers, a gunboat and a number of smaller vessels participated in the attack, together with a squadron of two-engined bombing planes.

One of the Government machines dropped two heavy bombs on the "Almirante Cervira," which hurried away to Ceuta and the other insurgent vessels dispersed very speedily.

Operations in the Madrid sector are at a standstill. The defenders are reported (by Trans-Ocean) to have made a series of unsuccessful counter-attacks in which several tanks were employed. The Burgos report says the tank column lost touch with the militiamen and several were disabled.

HARBOURS MINED ROUND SPAIN

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE INSURGENTS

Salamanca, To-day.

According to a new official announcement of the Burgos Government, mines have been laid in front of the harbours of Malaga, Almeria, Cartagena, Valencia, Barcelona, Tarragona, Bilbao, Santander and Gijon.

In the case of the first five harbours mentioned, a passage has, however, been left for ships.—Trans-Ocean.

PARIS, To-day.

The body of Baron de Borchgrave, the Belgian Diplomatic representative at Madrid, who was shot by militiamen, was placed aboard a torpedo-boat-destroyer and brought to Toulon. Following special ceremonies yesterday, the body was escorted to the railway station by a special military guard of honour, where it began its journey to Belgium.—Trans-Ocean.

BELGIAN VICTIM OF WAR

BODY BEGINS JOURNEY TO BRUSSELS

Paris, To-day.

An admission of increasing Communist activity in Austria is contained in an official communiqué announcing twenty-six arrests.

The men detained are alleged to be the leaders of the illegal Red Relief organisation and they include the "supreme leader" of the Communists, whose name is kept a secret.

A large quantity of propaganda is reported to have been found at the secret headquarters of the organisation.

It is understood that further arrests are imminent.—Renter.

OFFICIAL COUP IN AUSTRIA

COMMUNIST LEADERS ARRESTED

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DRAMATIC DAWN RAID IN NEW YORK

RACKETEERING GANG BROKEN UP

New York, To-day.

By a series of dramatic dawn raids, the New York police have broken up one of the largest racketeering rings in the United States.

Seventy men and women were arrested. It is stated that the gang operated a daily lottery called "The Number Game" and the takings were estimated at U.S.\$50,000 annually.—Renter.

Sporting Page

INTER-HONG SOCCER LEAGUE WOULD SOLVE MANY PROBLEMS

Games To Be Played On Sunday Mornings



Jock McKelvie, one of the best half-backs in the Colony in his day, is on the Interport Football Selection Committee.

SOUTH AFRICAN FOOTBALLERS IN ENGLAND

In addition to Kenneth Fish, the South African international centre-forward, who is coming over to play for Aston Villa, two other South Africans are to join British clubs. One is Dick Kemp, who is having a six month's trial with Liverpool. He is a goalkeeper, and he says it is his ambition to follow in the footsteps of Arthur Riley.

WASEDA LOSE AGAIN

BUT DRAW WOULD HAVE BEEN FAIRER RESULT

ARGONAUTA TEAM PLAY SCRAPPY HOCKEY AND ARE FLATTERED

(By "ADREM")

ALTHOUGH they were on the attack for most of the game and, on the whole, were the better team, Waseda University met with their fifth successive defeat at the hands of local teams when the Argonauta Hockey Club, winners of the Civilian section of the Triangular Tournament, between the Army, Navy and Civilians, won an interesting game yesterday, on the Navy ground, King's Park, by 4 goals to 1.

After a shaky start, during which two goals were registered against them, the tourists seem to wake up to the fact that they had a sporting chance of scoring their first victory and urged on by a large crowd of their compatriots, they launched attack after attack and at least half a dozen times were within an ace of scoring, only to find Souza, the opposing custodian, too much for them.

Both teams played listless, however, being unaccountably erratic and invariably failing at the crucial moment. After pressing hard for some time, the Portuguese team were rewarded when L. GOSANO netted, after the Japanese goalkeeper had failed to clear a shot from ANGELO. Shortly after the last-named player netted the second goal with a perfect first-timer off a hard centre from Gosano.

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CUP TIES TO-MORROW

FAIR 1923 FINAL OVER AGAIN

GREAT CHANCE FOR HAMMERS

(By J. G. ORANGE)

London, December 14.

THE draw for the third round of the F.A. Cup, in which the 47 big professional clubs who had been exempted till this stage, take part, has given London at least four matches on January 16, when the ties will be played.

The outstanding match in town will be that at Brentford, where Huddersfield Town will provide the opposition. Brentford have met with so much success this season that few will see in this match anything other than a Brentford victory, in spite of the Huddersfield's fair for cup-ties and their great record in the competition.

An all-London match has been drawn to take place at New Cross, where Millwall, who this season have been staging a revival, meet Fulham for the first time for some years.

This match will pack every inch of the accommodation at New Cross, where the crowd will be very anxious to see London's only Cup Derby in the third round, and, incidentally, get a good look at the team who were good enough to get to the semi-final last season.

From what I have seen of the two sides this season, I don't think Fulham will lose, though they may only draw at the first attempt.

Then, at West Ham, we shall have the famous 1923 Cup final over again.

It is thirteen years since West Ham and Bolton played that memorable first final at Wembley Stadium before close on 200,000 people, and when West Ham and Bolton people meet they still talk about it.

Hammers' Chance

Here is a chance, at long last, for West Ham to take revenge for their beating that day.

They are not playing so well now as they did then, but, for that matter, neither are Bolton Wanderers.

BADMINTON

UNIVERSITY v RECREO IN MIXED DOUBLES

The University mixed doubles badminton team will meet Recreo "A", the champions, this evening at Club de Recreo.

The programme, with home mentioned first, is as follows:

Recreo "A" v University St. John's v Recreo "B".

Free Lance v Kowloon Tong.

The United Services Recreation Club have decided not to pursue, for the moment, the project for the erection of a swimming pool in the Club ground. The original plans called for an expenditure of approximately \$40,000.

CLUB JUNIOR TEAM FOR TO-MORROW

TWO CHANGES MADE

The following will represent the Club juniors against the Chinese Police in the Second Division of the Football League tomorrow on the Kowloon F.C. ground, commencing at 2.30 p.m.

Stephens; Wilson (P) and Kilroy; Lepard, Kemp and Shaw; Hinsworth, Milne, Stone, Fowler and Sloan.

Millington and Purvis have been promoted to the senior team and Lepard and Hinsworth have filled the vacancies.

PROGRAMME FOR WASEDA-XI

The following is the programme arranged for the Waseda University Hockey team:
To-morrow r. University Club ground, King's Park, 4 p.m.
Sunday r. Civilians (Navy ground) 4 p.m.

RESULTS TO DATE

The following have been the results to date:
Waseda 2 Services 2
Waseda 1 Hong Kong 1
Waseda 1 Navy 1
Waseda 1 Army 1
Waseda 1 Argonauta 1

100 BALLS LOST IN FOG

"WHAT HOLE IS THIS?" ASKS CADDIE

MANY FORCED TO RETIRE!

(By GEORGE GREENWOOD)

London, December 10. Well over 100 balls — at a conservative estimate — were lost in the fog at Purley Downs yesterday when the Croydon and District Alliance held an 18-holes bogey foursomes tournament. Forty-five couples competed and on the average each cost three balls.

Most of those who retired did so because their stock of ammunition ran out. Others retired because they saw no fun in hitting into a wall of fog and then having to go in search of a ball that might be anywhere.

Atricious Visibility

At some places visibility was about that of a long approach putt; at others it was 50 yards. Only by sending the caddie forward was it possible to get some idea and then only vague as to the line. To trust to one's sense of direction meant the almost certain loss of a ball.

Of the cases of partnership losing touch with one another, the most amazing was that of the caddie who, walking in a different direction from the rest of the party, found himself on a wrong green. "Can you tell me what hole this is, because I have lost my ball?" he asked in a flurry of excitement.

—And The Caddie Who Knew

Considering everything, it was a remarkable achievement on the part of Mr. P. E. Melbourne (14) and H. J. Sherlock, professional at Kingswood, to finish only two down. They attributed their success to the guidance of a caddie whose judgment as to direction and distance was unerring.

"Do as I tell you and everything will be all right," he urged. The fact that the partnership lost only one ball, and that Mr. Melbourne put his tee shot four yards from the pin at two short holes, neither of which was visible from the tee, was a testimony to the sagacity of the caddie. Perhaps he will know where to look for some of the balls that were lost!

Mr. H. G. Palmer and M. Dargan, of Addington Palace, the first couple to finish, were 15 down. They were never in a bunker and lost only two balls. Another they found; it was being played by another couple putting on the 17th green.

A lawn tennis American tournament will be held at the Kowloon Cricket Club on Sunday, January 24, commencing at 2 p.m. A charge of \$1.50 per couple will be made.

CO-OPERATION WOULD BE ONLY REQUIREMENT

COMPETITION TO BENEFIT EMPLOYER AND EMPLOYEE ALIKE

PRESENT LACK OF OPPORTUNITY FOR RECREATION

(By "ROVER")

THE refusal of the Hong Kong Football Association to permit a postponement of the Royal Navy's Senior League fixtures for such a long period was actuated by no other motive than the desire to complete the League by the middle of May at the very latest.

Five years ago the League consisted of three divisions and the number of teams participating in them numbered only 24. There were 10 teams in the First Division and eight and six in the Second and Third Divisions respectively. Now there are three Leagues of 14 teams each, with the result that the Association have their hands full in trying to cope with the fixtures.

It has been pointed out that another outlet will have to be found for those who will soon be clamouring for competitive football. The clubs at present are not able to take in many more players, while the scarcity of grounds will not permit many more games to be played on week-end afternoons.

One solution to this situation would be the formation of a Commercial or Mercantile League and there is no doubt that such a competition would find favour as most of the larger firms in the Colony are able to raise teams — even in the present League we have the Railway, Radio and the Kwong Wah (China Light and Power) competing in the Third Division.

Games have often been arranged between the staffs of different firms and an organised League would provide a large number of players with a chance to play football, which would not only be a source of recreation to many but it would also benefit the employers insofar as their staff would have the necessary exercise and thus keep fitter.

Co-operation Needed

The formation of such a League would no doubt be faced with many obstacles at first, among which are the questions of grounds and referees, but both these could be easily overcome. All games could be played on Sunday mornings, and there is no doubt that Clubs possessing grounds would show their co-operation while the question of referees could be met by the Hong Kong Referees' Association, who, for the good of the game, would be only too pleased to assist as far as they can.

This new League would naturally be affiliated to the Hong Kong Football Association but could be run by its own committee thus relieving the Association of any extra work, and the benefits derived would be manifold both to employer and the employee.

Such a League is run in both Singapore and Shanghai. Why not in Hong Kong?

GOLF WIN FOR SHEK-O

VOLUNTEERS BEATEN

Entertaining the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps to a four-ball golf match over 18 holes (old course only) at Shek-O on Wednesday, the Shek-O Club won by ten holes to three.

The scores were:

Colonel Blake and Hon. Mr. S. H. Dodwell (Shek-O) were all square with Major E. J. R. Mitchell and K. S. Robertson.

Bear Admiral Sedgwick and D. H. Blake (Shek-O) beat Lieut. Col. H. B. Dowbiggin and Lieut. Col. R. C. Anderson by four up.

Dr. C. H. Burton and A. C. I. Bowker (Shek-O) lost to E. D. Walker and B. D. Evans by one up.

M. H. Turner and E. Davidson (Shek-O) lost to W. R. H. Collins and A. L. G. Eastman by two holes.

A. H. Forbes and L. M. S. Lloyd (Shek-O) beat H. Owen Hughes and W. Sharp by one up.

R. Kennedy and D. Drummond (Shek-O) and Dr. J. R. B. Selby and M. A. Johnson were all square.

W. J. Waddington and Major Churchar (Shek-O) beat W. Keith Robinson and R. H. Griffiths by three up.

H. E. Sturt and L. E. Holmes and W. J. Dyer by two up.

VARSITY CRICKET TEAMS

The following will represent the Hong Kong Cricket Club in their League matches to-morrow, commencing at 2 p.m.:

A. W. Hayward (Captain), R. L. Holden, A. C. L. Bowker, T. A. Pearce, R. D. Gillopie, H. E. New, G. A. Stewart, R. L. D. Wodehouse, A. P. Taylor-Gill, V. C. Bond and J. F. Barron.

2nd XI vs. C.S.C.C. 2nd XI on Club ground.

A. E. Mackenzie (Captain), W. Stoker, W. Wooding, E. M. King, R. Way, H. A. Murray, N. P. Fox, F. Bathurst, F. A. Dunnett, C. E. Gilligan and J. E. Potter.

the Police R. C. in a friendly match at Pokfulam on Sunday:

M. C. Hung, W. C. Chin, S. H. Ling, C. H. Tooh, L. H. Tan, G. Abraham, G. Hong Choy, R. Symons, K. M. Soares, J. Singh and F. Liang.

Reserves, P. K. Hui and Y. K. Chan.

Cricket Skipper's Outburst

W. B. Franklin, captain of Buckinghamshire Cricket Club for eighteen seasons, has made players in the county sit up and take notice following a hard-hitting speech at the annual dinner of the High Wycombe club. Some of them are still smarting under his remarks that the standard of cricket in the county is deplorable.

In the course of a strong talk on the attitude of young players to the game Mr. Franklin said they did not treat cricket with the respect and diligence necessary to make them into good cricketers. "If you watch the Australians," he said, "you will see that their type of cricket is entirely different from what the modern young man seems to think it is."

"I have had people playing for the county who go in to bat and, having finished their innings, think the game is over," Mr. Franklin added. "When we go out to field you may have noticed that I have not been particularly pleasant to them because they seem to forget that cricket consists of batting, bowling and fielding. Our fielding on occasions last season was beneath contempt."

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SCOTTISH FORWARD OUTLOOK BRIGHTER LESSON OF TRIAL EXPERIMENT BACKS GIVEN PLENTY OF CHANCES AT GALASHIELS

TWO CLEVER HALF-BACKS AVAILABLE

(By A. WEMYSS)

London, December 21.
The experiment of playing a non-specialist pack of forwards in the Scotland XV. at Galashiels met with only modified success.

For such a venturesome step, little more was expected, but judicious changes at half-time allowed the Scotland forwards to have a recognised hooker and that was sufficient to enable the team to prove themselves the better side and defeat the Rest by three goals, a dropped goal and six tries (37 points) to a goal, a dropped goal and two tries (15 points).

The forward play was more interesting than anything else. The Rest pack won the scrums in the proportion of three to one in the first half. When they had the assistance of Tait as a hooker the balance was two to one in favour of the Scotland forwards, though they did not then specialise apart from the wing-forwards.

After the interval the Scotland pack were very good. There was always a raggedness in packing and considerable slow heeling, but their pace in the loose, their backing up in dribbling and passing, and in touch-line play as well, at least provided the opportunities which the Scotland backs so easily turned to account. Moreover, every Scotland forward, after the changes had been made, played well.

Murdoch dropped a remarkably clever left-footed goal but was too much addicted to the short kick.

Shaw Brilliant

R. W. Shaw played brilliantly on the wing but Dryden and Johnston ran with power and determination, each scoring a very fine try. Although his line was crossed so often, McKinnon was the better full-back.

Clever Pair Of Halves

The Scotland halves combined cleverly and while Dawson's service was no better than that of Doward, as a pair they were far ahead of their opponents. Ross ran and passed with fine judgment. He had the measure of Grieve, though The Rest stand-off did many clever things.

Macrae was the best of the centres, tackling better than he usually does and, apart from making some bewildering mid-field runs, using his feet with intelligence when handling broke down. Ian Shaw played well in the later stages, and, like Macrae, took full toll of the hesitant Rest tackling.

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CHARLTON'S AMERICAN TOUR

London, December 17.—Charlton Athletic, the First Division leaders, have accepted invitations to make a short tour of Canada and the United States during the close season. The party plan to leave England on May 5 and play 12 matches. They will return on June 18.

BEYNON BEATS CHOCOLATE

London, December 21.—Len Beynon, the Welsh bantam-weight champion, beat Young Chocolate, champion of Jamaica, in the sixth round at The Ring, London, yesterday, the referee intervening.

WOMEN'S CRICKET AUSTRALIAN TEAM TO TOUR ENGLAND

Melbourne, December 16.

THE Australian Women's Cricket Council today selected the following 13 players to tour England next year:

Mr. Peter (Victoria) (captain), Miss Antonio (Victoria), Miss George (Victoria), Miss Clements (Victoria), Miss McLarty (Victoria), Miss Pritchard (New South Wales), Miss Wegemann (New South Wales), Miss Walsh (New South Wales), Miss Flaherty (New South Wales), Miss Hudson (New South Wales), Miss Smith (Queensland), Miss Summers (South Australia) and Miss Jegst (West Australia). Two more players will be chosen at the end of this month.

Miss Peggy Antonio will be remembered for her feats against the English women's team which toured Australia last year. She is only 19, but last season set up a new high scoring record by a Victorian with 134 not out.

CUP TIES TO-MORROW

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They may do this, and in that case they will have Oldham Athletic — now of the Third Northern Section, but once a First Division club — as opponents in the greatest match Walthamstow has ever staged.

I cannot recollect the Arsenal ever having played at Chesterfield before, though they did so in the far off days when both clubs were members of the Second Division.

The fact that Chesterfield play strong, bustling football will probably cause people to wonder whether the Arsenal have drawn another Walsall. In any case, it

will not be an easy match for the holders, and I think they would sooner have played a well-known club away from home than Chesterfield.

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above all their colleagues.

AMR BEYS RECORD

Wins Amateur Squash Title For Fifth Time

F. D. Amr Bey set up a record at the Bath Club, London, on December 18 by winning the amateur squash rackets championship for the fifth time, beating E. Snell, last year's runner-up, by 9-6, 9-6, 9-2 in the final.

The previous record of four wins was held jointly by Amr, who is open and amateur champion, and Captain V. A. Cazalet, M.P.

WASEDA LOSE AGAIN

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FINE GOALKEEPING

The Argonautas maintained their pressure and were only prevented from increasing their lead to any marked degree by the fine anticipation of Onizuka, Waseda's goalkeeper. One minute before the interval, however, the visitors scored their only goal of the game when MASUMURA, at inside-left, netted with a shot that gave Souza no chance.

After the respite, Waseda returned to the field a new team, and for the remainder of the game completely dominated the exchanges!

Able backed up by their defence, the forwards put everything they knew into their attempts to equalise and times without number it seemed likely that they would penetrate. The two Argonautas backs, however, remained cool and aided by the Waseda forwards missing opportunities in their exertions, kept their goal intact.

Five minutes from the end ANGELO placed the issue beyond doubt when he scored the hard drive into the corner of the net.

NO SLACKENING UP

Waseda, having half completed a very heavy programme, had every reason to slacken off their efforts in this game, but, on the contrary, with the exception of the inter-port, they probably played much harder than hitherto.

They started the game with an obvious inferiority complex and the Argonautas should never have been allowed to score their two early goals.

After the game had been in progress a short while the Japanese suddenly appeared to wake up to the fact that the opposition were not so greatly superior to themselves and they then literally went head-to-head for the other team. A draw would have been the fairest result.

One becomes quite tired of continually eulogising Waseda's goal-keepers, and I think they would have played a well-known club away from home than Chesterfield.

Argonautas—U. R. Souza, R. Xavier and E. L. Gosano (Captain); R. Marques, L. Oliveira and A. Alves; L. Gossano, F. Nolasco, A. Angelo, H. L. Ozorio and B. Xavier.

Waseda—M. Ohizuka; M. Yamamoto and S. Kawahara; K. Kawashima; T. Yamada and H. Tanaka; M. Sugawara, K. Kawai, T. Kojima, S. Masamura, and Y. Shimoda.

TUESDAY'S DINNER

I have been asked to announce that next Tuesday evening a dinner is being held in their honour, to which all hockey players are welcome. It is hoped that as many as possible who have seen this fine team of sportsmen on the hockey field will support this function and take the opportunity of meeting them socially. Final arrangements have not yet been made, but they will be announced later.



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THE PATIENCE OF
CHIANG

Chiang Kai-shek has the laudable ambition of settling the fresh outbreak of trouble in Shensi by peaceful means and has overridden those of his subordinates who would rush impetuously into open hostilities with the powerful forces of the North-West.

Chiang's is patently the better way. The rebellious leaders have shown a disposition to negotiate and while they are in that frame of mind, precipitancy in punitive action would be disastrous to the Generalissimo's policy, now generally appreciated as one of watchful waiting and gradual stiffening of resistance to Japan.

Furthermore, if the Generalissimo's activities in recent months are interpreted accurately, he is in no great hurry to disturb either the North-West Army or the communists, and this attitude of his remains unchanged even in the event of their fraternisation.

While the communists range in the North on the borders of Inner Mongolia and Chang Hsueh-liang's troops are solidly based in Shensi, one of China's borders is firmly closed to the Japanese programme of "peaceful" penetration, for if there is anything the communists and the Young Marshal's forces are agreed upon, it is on violent hostility to Japanese encroachment.

One of the reasons for the detention of Chiang Kai-shek last month was to bring pressure upon the Generalissimo to challenge Japan. And a cogent factor in the rebellious tendency of the Young Marshal's subordinate generals is their disinclination to move farther west, a move which they believe would interfere with their possibly futile ambition of one day making a determined attempt to retake their lost territories in Manchuria.

The entertainment of ideas of this kind may arouse feelings of sceptical amusement in foreign minds, but the North-West Army takes itself very seriously, despite its backwater environment, and while that spirit is alive, Chiang Kai-shek has nothing to lose by a broad-minded toleration of occasional outbursts of fretful exuberance.

The New Oxford

The senior proctor of Oxford University, in a luncheon-club speech, said that Oxford had become a flourishing industrial city with the University as an appendage.

The change in Oxford, brought about largely by a man who began life mending bicycles in a small suburban shop, has been immense; but it has not destroyed the unique character of the city. It was an unkind and untrue gibe which called Oxford "the Latin Quarter of Cowley."

The Silky Way

A high officer of the Salvation Army in India says that a criminal district in the Punjab was cleaned up by the introduction of silkworms into a forest of mulberry trees, which had previously been a sanctuary for outlaws and thieves. The people turned, under supervision, to the cultivation of silkworms and a law-abiding life.

It seems that it is possible,

Princess Juliana

A few days ago, the heavy humour, but within the last two years her mother's widowhood has seemed to sober her.

Juliana has seemed to grow more and more like her mother, although intrinsically their qualities are very different, so much so that the younger generation of the Dutch have great hopes of the Princess. But they do not expect to see the best of her until now she is married and has an independent establishment of her own. These two, mother and daughter, are unique among the royal families of Europe. They have no relatives in the Netherlands, and their distant and now dethrown cousins in Germany are debarred from the succession by the Dutch Constitution.

For the first time in thirty-five years a daughter of the House of Orange was wearing orange-blossom. The whole of the Netherlands and the empire overseas hung out the tricolour and pinned a bit of orange on its coat in honour of Crown Princess Juliana's wedding to Prince Bernhard, who comes from the German family which used to rule the little principality of Lippe—one of the largest families and one of the smallest principalities of the old Germany.

It was the most emotional day that the Dutch have known since Queen Wilhelmina herself was married in the Grote Kerk in 1901. But now, as then, beneath all the excitement there are stern realities which make a Dutch royal wedding much more than a pleasant froth of orange-blossom.

For fifty years, ever since the House of Orange lost three sons in rapid succession in the Eighteen Eighties, it has been so reduced in numbers that its extinction in the natural course of events has been a possibility which has had to be reckoned with. It has now been reduced to two women, the widowed Queen who has reigned longer than any other sovereign in Europe, and her daughter, Princess Juliana, who will presumably one day ascend the ruby throne of Amsterdam in her own right.

Ever since she was 18, and she is now 27, Princess Juliana has had a palace and 200,000 guilders a year, say \$360,000, of her own. But she had never used her palace. Except during her student years at the University of Leyden, where she took law studies very seriously, she has remained under her mother's roof. Especially during the last two years, mother and daughter have seemed inseparable. They have travelled together to Norway, Switzerland and Austria, for Princess Juliana is a sports-woman, fond of winter sports, as well as of rowing, hockey and tennis. She plays golf too, but professes to see little in it.

She is a good amateur photographer, a good needlewoman and a good cook. Among her own friends she is excellent company, fresh, spontaneous and with no liking for formality. Until her father, Prince Henry, died two years ago, she seemed to resemble him much more than her mother, for she loved music, the arts, gaiety and cosmopolitan society. She had her father's sense of

strains the stoutest imagination.

Despite their elaborately monarchical Constitution, the safe thing perhaps is to regard the Dutch as thorough-going republicans in every respect except in their attitude toward their present royal family. It is easy to understand why the House of Orange should constitute the one exception in the eyes of Dutch republicanism. William the Silent, the "Wilhelminus" of the Dutch national anthem, was originally a German Prince, but the heroic struggle in which he led the Dutch against the mighty Spain of Philip II's time made him the father of Dutch independence.

From that day to this, an almost unbroken span of more than 300 years, the Dutch have walked hand in hand with the great William's descendants. That hand-clasp is the oldest memory they have. It has never been broken for long by any of the vicissitudes of their history. Outwardly, that house is one of the few elements of stability in the shaken Europe of to-day. But inwardly it is so reduced in numbers that the possibility of its extinction has been a cloud on the Dutch horizon for nearly fifty years.

This is not a case of debunking the ship of the desert. Nobody loves a camel.

Nobody who ever dealt with one had a good word to say for it. The fact that it coupled a formidable claim on the gratitude of man with the most evil disposition of any living organism merely makes matters worse.

And now worse still, for it seems that the camel, so hateful in life, becomes in death the food of film stars.

Out of repulsiveness comes forth beauty. We may yet see camel steaks adopted as an integral part of the daily diet of Elstree and Hollywood. Again nothing happened.

Meanwhile a whole new generation of the Dutch have been finding little in the royal family to reflect their changing world. Queen

Wilhelmina has reigned since she was 10 and she is now 56. She was brought up in the stern traditions of a generation ago. She is strong-minded and a woman of decided views, serious both in her talk and in her work—but she is also mistress of the royal art of being extremely pleasant. She is very religious and very strait-laced; she tolerates no frivolities. One of the wealthiest women in the world, she takes a minimum of interest in food, dress and social life.

In the privacy of her own grounds, she leads an outdoor life so far as her work permits. Aside from her simple relaxations, she knows nothing but work. She makes but one public appearance a year—her state drive from the little white palace, in the Noordeinde to the old Hall of the Knights in the Binnenhof, where she opens the new session of the States-General with the speech from the throne.

Necessarily, Princess Juliana is much closer to the post-war generation. She is an attractive young woman with rather full features, thick brown hair, blue eyes, a rosy complexion and a chin which has all her mother's strength of character in it. She has the freshness and the spontaneity which are typical of her generation; and these qualities have not been blunted by the truly formidable education she has received.

She is known everywhere. She has carried out public duties for her mother all over the Netherlands and has her own circle of friends both in The Hague and in the country houses of the provinces. Some day she will inherit the Dutch line of the House of Orange should become extinct.

Princess Juliana's wedding to a German prince is, of course, on another level. Prince Bernhard's legal status will never be more than that of Prince Consort with the title "Prince of the Netherlands," not the more historic title "Prince of Orange." He becomes a naturalized Dutch subject, and a subject he will remain—the loyal and dutiful subject at first of his revered mother-in-law, later of his wife.

The Dutch Crown will pass in time to his wife, a Princess of Orange. If she should leave no heirs, her family would become legally extinct. In that event, the Dutch Constitution provides for the election of a new royal house. In all decency, a monarchical Constitution could hardly do otherwise. Yet the thought of the Dutch States-General gathering in solemn conclave in the old Hall of the Knights for the purpose of inviting a foreigner to come and take charge of them is one which strains the stoutest imagination.

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These were the circumstances in which the announcement of her engagement to Prince Bernhard of Lippe-Biesterfeld fell upon the country like a bolt from the blue. There was a sort of pandemonium of public rejoicing which lasted for a week. It rose to a climax on the day when the Queen rode in state to open the new session of the States-General. Her coach was preceded by an open landau in which Princess Juliana and her prince sat together, laughing in obvious delight and waving their hands in response to the delighted welcome of the vast crowds. Infectious laughter is the first miracle that Princess Juliana's engagement has wrought in the Dutch.

Prince Bernhard belongs to an easily recognizable type of German. He is just the reverse of the sombre blond German. He can smile. He has an infectious laugh. He has the light-heartedness of his years—he is 25, two years younger than Princess Juliana. He belongs to the type of young and cosmopolitan German who is a social favourite both in and out of Germany. He has seen but little of Lippe and its court town of Detmold. He comes of a younger branch of the family and has had wider contacts with the world. He was born in Jena and educated in Munich, Lausanne and Berlin.

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There have been moments of relief when the cloud has seemed to lift, but it has not for long. Ever since Princess Juliana's eighteenth birthday, there have been hopes every year that her engagement would be announced and the horizon would light up again. Usually these hopes have risen as her birthday in April approached.

Every April of late, Dutch hopes have seemed to centre on Prince Charles of Sweden. Last April, in fact, Dutch wholesalers were advertising Swedish flags for immediate delivery during the week before Princess Juliana's birthday.

Again nothing happened. This engagement indeed was so strictly guarded a secret that even his mother—who comes of the same family as the German tennis champion von Cramm—knew nothing of it. How did it happen? Nobody knows. Two or three names and places are rumoured in connection with the courtship, and in one case there seems to be real evidence. The garter.

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Canton, To-day.—Although Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek still insists upon seeking a peaceful settlement of the Szechuan revolt, and negotiations between Mr. Li Chi-khang, representative of Yang Hu-cheng, rebel leader, and General Kuo Chuk-tung, Director of the Sian Headquarters, are still proceeding at Loyang, communist forces commanded by Mo Chak-tung entered Sianfu yesterday.

It is reported that the communist leaders are planning to organize a North-Western Political Council with Yang Hu-cheng at its head to manage the affairs of Shensi and Kansu.—Our Own Correspondent.

INCOME TAX

Hongs Appealing In Canton

Canton, To-day.—Representatives of over 120 hongs are appealing to the Kwangtung Government to-day for the reconsideration of the new system of the Business (Income) Tax, announced by the Provincial Commissioner of Finance, Mr. T. L. Soong.—Our Own Correspondent.

ANGLO-CANADIAN TRADE PACT

Provisions Agreed In Principle

London, To-day.—An agreement in principle has been reached between Great Britain and Canada regarding a new trade agreement, which it is hoped will be signed shortly.—Reuter.

90TH BIRTHDAY

Royal Greetings To Preb. Carlisle

London, To-day.—The King and Queen have sent their congratulations to Preliminary Carlisle, founder of the Church Army, who today celebrated his 90th birthday.—British Wireless.

Your Daily Smile!

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SURPRISE ANGLO-IRISH TALKS IN LONDON

Mr. de Valera Decides To Stay After Preliminary Conversations



Mr. Eamon de Valera, President of the Irish Free State

FAVOURABLE ATMOSPHERE CREATED

LONDON, TO-DAY.

THE RETURN OF MR. EAMON DE VALERA, PRESIDENT OF THE IRISH FREE STATE, FROM A VISIT TO AN EYE SPECIALIST IN ZURICH, HAS UNEXPECTEDLY OPENED UP IMPORTANT DISCUSSIONS BETWEEN BRITAIN AND THE FREE STATE.

MR. DE VALERA HAD CONVERSATIONS YESTERDAY AT HIS HOTEL IN LONDON WITH MR. MALCOLM MACDONALD, TALKING WITH HIM FOR THREE HOURS DURING THE MORNING AND NEARLY TWO HOURS LAST NIGHT, AND AS A RESULT THE PRESIDENT DECIDED TO CANCEL HIS INTENDED TRIP TO DUBLIN AND TO STAY OVERNIGHT.

An official communiqué says that "informal discussions took place on a number of matters affecting the relations between the two countries."

It is understood that Mr. Malcolm MacDonald and President de Valera discussed the question of the representation of the Free State at the Coronation and the Imperial Conference which follows.

They also went into the constitutional position of the Irish Free State as a result of the recent Free State legislation; although it is gathered that the question of an equitable adjustment of Anglo-Irish financial differences was actively pursued.

STRICTLY PRIVATE

At the evening meeting between the two statesmen, the conversations were strictly private, and even Mr. Dulanty, the High Commissioner for the Free State in London was not present.

Police have opened up a new line of enquiry overnight on clues suggesting the possibility that women were concerned in the affair.

The Police Department, at Sacramento, have detained a man for questioning whose description is said to tally with that in the Police notices posted throughout the country.

The man, whose face is scratched, is stated to have claimed that he was once a patient of Doctor Mattson.

The Police said he also admitted having escaped from a lunatic asylum.

It was the discovery of a piece of lipstick on the running board of an abandoned motor-car found near the scene of the shocking murder that led to the belief that there may have been women in the case.—Reuter.

FAR EAST DRUG RING REVELATIONS

SENTENCE PASSED ON MARIA WENDT

BEING DEPORTED TO SHANGHAI

Los Angeles, To-day. Maria Wendt, the Chinese girl who was arrested some weeks ago carrying a large supply of illicit drugs, alleged on behalf of a big international drug ring with widespread ramifications, was brought into court yesterday to receive sentence, having fully recovered from her illness.

The Court (says Reuter) passed sentence of ten years' imprisonment and ordered her to be deported to Shanghai forthwith. It will be recalled that Maria Wendt, who is said to be the daughter of a high ex-official, attempted suicide shortly after her arrest, and that two other suicides occurred after her arrest, one in Shanghai and one on a ship travelling to New York from Bermuda.

The suicide in Shanghai was that of a Frenchman, a prominent member of the community, superintendent of the Paulin Hospital, M. Stey. He was hunted for eight days in Shanghai and was then found in a dying condition under a bush in the French Concession.

Suggestions that he may have been poisoned by others of the gang were made when pathological experts failed to identify the poison which caused his death.

ROYAL TOURNAMENT

London, To-day.—The Royal Military Tournament will be held at Olympia again this year. Performances will be given between May 27 and June 12.—British Wireless.



These picturesque delegates from Kirghiz, autonomous Soviet Republic, lent colour to the impressive gathering in the grand hall of the Kremlin Palace, Moscow, which heard Josef Stalin describe the benefits under the new Soviet Constitution.

GERMAN ECONOMIC INDEPENDENCE

FOUR YEAR PLAN'S PROGRESS MOTOR INDUSTRY SITUATION

Berlin, To-day.

Public interest in the progress of the Four Year Plan the object of which is to make Germany as independent as possible of foreign supplies of food and raw materials, is so wide-spread that new periodical to be called the "Four Year Plan, published by Dr. Gritzschbach, personal co-worker with General Goering, makes its first appearance to-day and will keep in review the whole course of the development of German economic life under the new plan.

Among the most interesting contributions to the first number is an article by the great authority in the automobile industry, Dr. Werlin, who deals at length with that part of the Four Year Plan whose function it is to "motorise" Germany as quickly as possible.

As is well known, motorisation in this case depends primarily on giving Germany adequate and dependable supplies of motor fuel and raw materials from which motors are manufactured.

The first part of the task has made such progress already that even as far back as 1933, Germany was obtaining from its own resources, chiefly by synthesis, 925,000 tons of motor fuel out of the 2,000,000 tons needed at that time.

"This fraction increases from month to month," writes Dr. Werlin, "so that within 15 months we shall cover all our needs in light motor fuel."

He then reveals what has hitherto been quite unknown, namely that even with regard to heavy oils, needed for Diesel motors, the solution is near at hand.

By utilising the Reich's resources in coal, lignite, and peat, all fuels, light and heavy, needed for motorisation will be produced at home.

This development is not only important for the home market but highly significant for our export," adds Dr. Werlin. The writer then turns to the other part of the problem, namely, that of supplies for raw materials from which the motors themselves are made.

In part, this problem has been carried a long way towards solution by the subtraction of aluminium and magnesium steel from other metals, and partly helped by a wider use of compound substances, including synthetic resins familiar in the form of bakelite.

Trans-Ocean.

CZECH ANSWER TO ACCUSERS

Aerodromes Thrown Open

London, To-day.

The invitation extended by the Czechoslovak Government to foreign military or air attaches in Prague to make a complete personal inspection of the Czechoslovak aerodromes has been accepted by the British Air Attaché.

The invitation has been given, it is understood, to enable foreign governments to satisfy themselves regarding the allegations which have appeared at various times in the last twelve months in German and other newspapers.—Trans-Ocean.

HERIOT ON FRENCH AIM FOR PEACE

(Continued from Page 1)

bringing all countries to the verge of a dangerous precipice and giving rise to many dangers.

France was ready at any moment to enter into reasonable agreements and she expected to meet the political affairs of other nations just as she was determined to defend her own.

PERIL OF MISUNDERSTANDING

She would never fail to cooperate in dispersing misunderstandings between nations which were often more serious than a direct clash of interests.

It redounded to the credit of the present Chamber, concluded M. Herriot, that it had unanimously approved the necessary financial sacrifices being made for the country's defence. It was proof that when it was a question of defending the mother country there was only one France.—Trans-Ocean.

RELIEF FOR SHIP MASTERS

U.S. DECISION ON MARON CASE

Washington, To-day.

Mr. Henry Morgenthau Jr., Secretary of the Treasury, said at a Press conference that the co-operation given to Customs officials by officers of the ss. Maron, on which the biggest seizure of opium ever made in New York took place last Wednesday, had caused the Treasury Department to inaugurate a policy of waiving or greatly reducing in such cases the fines which can legally be assessed against the vessels carrying the narcotics.

The Maron was technically liable to the maximum fine of \$100,000. for carrying about 4,000 ounces of opium.—Reuter.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS



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The Royal Naval Recreation Club does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender.

SOCIETY OF ST. GEORGE, HONG KONG

ANNUAL BALL 1937

MEMBERS are reminded that it is proposed to hold the above function on FRIDAY, 29th January, 1937.

It will prove of considerable assistance to the Secretaries if lists of guests are sent as soon as possible to their offices, 1st floor, Exchange Building.

LINSTEAD & DAVIS, Secretaries & Treasurers, Hong Kong, 15th Jan., 1937.

PUBLIC AUCTION

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PEAK WEDDING

Miss B. Lockhart-Smith And
Mr. G. H. Bond

SHANGHAI HONEYMOON

The Peak Church was the setting for an attractive afternoon wedding yesterday, when Miss Bridget Lockhart-Smith was married to Mr. Gerald Hollingsworth Bond. The Rev. H. W. Baines performed the ceremony.

LIGHT SAXOPHONE RECITAL BY
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"THIS IS ENGLAND"

H.R.T. 12.30-12.45 p.m.—European Programme.

12.30—Concert Items.
1—Local: Time Signals and Weather Report.1.03—Dance Music.
1.30—Reuter Press, Rugby Press.

Local: Weather Forecast, Time and Announcements.

1.40—Sydney Gustard (Cinema Organ).

2 p.m.—Songs by Turner Layton (tenor).

2.15—Close Down.

4.7 p.m.—Chinese Programme.

7.11—European Programme.

7—A Classical Concert.

Handel "Samson"—Let the Bright Seraphim.

Elise Suddaby (soprano).

Mozart Concerto No. 2 in G Major, K.216

Yehudi Menuhin and the Paris Symphony Orchestra.

1st Movement—Allegro.

2nd "—Adagio.

3rd "—Rondo.

7.30—Closing Local Stock Quotations and Hong Kong Exchange Market Report.

7.30—A Classical Concert (continued).

Glock—

"Paride ed Elena"—O del mio dolce ardor.

Beniamine Gigli, (tenor).

Glock—"Orpheus et Eurydice" Ballet Orchestra Symphonique (de Paris).

Liszt "Hungarian Rhapsody" No. 12

The Hallé Orchestra, Conducted by Sir Hamilton Bartley.

Liszt "Isolden Liebestod"

Beno Moiseiwitsch, (pianoforte).

8 p.m.—Local: Time Signals, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03—Four Light Songs by John McCormack (Tenor).

1. An Old Sacred Lullaby (Corner, arr. Liddle).

2. Jeanie with the light brown hair (Foster).

3. Sweetly she sleeps, my Alice fair, (Foster).

4. In sweet content (Maeddermaid—Sanderson).

8.15—London—"This is England" Talk by representative English people; (2) The Hon. Charles Lyttelton of Worcestershire, heir to an old estate. Introduced by Anthony Weymouth (Electrical Recording).

8.30—London—The B.B.C. Dance Orchestra, Directed by Henry Hall.

8.55—London—News and Announcements.

9.15—From the Studio.

A Light Saxophone Recital by L. Palapo.

1. Valse Vanite ... Rudy Wiedoeft.

2. Simple Aven ... F. Thome.

3. The Duchess Valse Caprice R. Duke Rehl.

9.30—Horace March (Haydn Wood).

A Light Symphony Orch.

A Violoncello Recital by Mademoiselle Adele Clement.

1. Le Cygne Saint-Saens.

2. Menet Valensis.

3. Rigoletto Forqueray.

4. Vito Popper.

9.30—"At Mother's Knee" (Some favourite Lullabies)

Ebbie Ackland, (Contralto).

10 p.m.—London—Big Ben. Dance Music. Forty minutes of the popular dance tunes of to-day.

10.40—Vocal Gems from Musical Comedies.

The Desert Song—

Edith Day and Robert Naylor.

Please Teacher—Selection

Bobbie Howes, Wylie Watson,

Sepha Treble and Winifred Izard, with The London Nippodrome Chorus and Orchestra.

11 pm—Close Down.

WORLD BRIDGE OLYMPIC

To Be Held In Hong Kong In April

Owing to tournaments in Europe and the United States, which conflict with the usual date early in February, the World Bridge Olympic will be held this year on the 7th April. Last year's committee, consisting of Mr. Justice Lindsell, Mr. J. W. Franks, O.R.E., Mr. M. H. Lo, Mr. Horace Lo and Mr. F. H. Tyson, is continuing with the addition of Col. E. S. Doughty, D.S.O., Honorary Secretary, and it is hoped that Mr. Justice Lindsell will have returned before the date of the competition.

The place where the tournament will be held has not yet been decided, but interested players are urged to send entries now to Col. Doughty, P. O. Box 247, so that the Committee may make definite plans. As in previous years, entries are made in pairs at \$10 per pair.

The Three "T'S"

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"BELIEVE IT OR NOT" by Robert L. Ripley



KOWLOON TOPICS

K.R.A. DISCUSSIONS

The monthly meeting of the General Committee of the Kowloon Residents' Association took place on Monday evening at St. Andrew's Church Hall, Kowloon.

Those present were: Mr. B. Wylie (President), Mr. F. C. Moy Fung (Vice-President), Mr. R. P. Phillips (Hon. Treasurer), Mr. R. Baldwin (Hon. Secretary), Messrs. L. d'Almada e Castro, Jr., T. E. Wilson, Lam Ming-fan, W. C. Felshaw, C. E. Terry, J. M. Alves, R. Pestoni, L. N. Murray and Dr. Ip Kam-wah. Apologies for absence were received from Mrs. E. W. Gardiner, Messrs. Li Chor-chi, H. Gittins, D. W. Munton, F. H. Losby, C. M. Manners and Rev. J. R. Higgins.

Correspondence was read and approved concerning the local celebration of the Coronation of His Majesty the King, Bus Routes in Kowloon, the proposed Guide Book, Drainage and Sanitation at Kowloon City, and Leprosy in Kowloon.

Proposed Guide Book

With reference to the publication of a Guide Book of Kowloon and the New Territories, discussion on this subject (deferred from the last meeting) as to whether the Association should continue with the project alone, or should assist the Hong Kong Travel Association to produce such a book, resulted in the decision being made to adopt the former course, and it was agreed to inform the Travel Association of this decision.

The Sub-Committee appointed to deal with the matter of Leprosy in Kowloon submitted a letter and questionnaire which they felt would assist the Association in obtaining more definite information on the subject. It was agreed to have this letter and questionnaire printed and circulated to medical men and others who had experience of work with lepers.

A letter from the Superintendent of Police, Kowloon, was read, asking for the Association's views on the new demonstration gas lamps in Jordan Road. A special sub-committee was appointed to deal with the matter.

Complaints regarding postal facilities were considered, and it was agreed that the President should interview the Postmaster General on the subject.

The date of the Annual General Meeting was provisionally fixed for Thursday, March 4.

RIVER SOUNDING AT WHAMPOA

PRELIMINARY SURVEY

An official report states to-day that a sum of \$10,000,000 Canton currency is required for the initial expenses for the development of Whampoa as a deep water port and that this sum equivalent to \$7,000,000 national currency will be secured by the issue of bonds to be secured by five per cent of the customs revenue collected in Kwangtung.

This scheme is sponsored by Mr. T. V. Soong, of the National Economic Council, and a petition to this effect will be shortly submitted to the Executive Yuan and Legislative Yuan for approval. The bonds are to be issued by the Ministry of Finance.

McDonnell and Gorman Inc., which constructed the Pearl River Bridge, is assigned to undertake a part of the port development project. Map drawing and sounding are in progress now as a preliminary to actual construction work. The development scheme includes the erection of wharves and warehouses for the accommodation of ocean-going vessels.

Construction work had to be pushed ahead during the winter months when the river level is low and currents are negligible. A railroad may connect the new port with Canton.

(Continued from next Column) the fact that defendant had been put to a considerable amount of trouble over his defence, and he did not propose to inflict a heavy penalty on him. It was perhaps bad luck for the defendant that his bamboo shading the complainant from the sight of defendant was very weak, but even taking that into consideration, his Worship said he found it incumbent upon himself to convict defendant on the charge of driving without due care and caution.

He also took into consideration Continued at foot of preceding Col.

TAXI DRIVER FINED

Sequel To Mishap In Kennedy Road

EUROPEAN INJURED

The further hearing of the summons against Pau Shiu-tin, driver of Star taxicab No. 880, alleging that he drove without due care and caution along Kennedy Road on the evening of December 18, when Mr. J. V. Roberts, of the Office Appliance Co. Ltd., was knocked down and injured, was continued before Mr. J. A. Fraser at the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon, when the witnesses for the prosecution were cross-examined by Mr. M. A. da Silva, who appeared for the defence.

Mr. J. B. Hobbs, of Messrs. McCallum and Co., held a watching brief on behalf of Mr. Roberts.

At a previous hearing Mr. Roberts gave evidence, corroborated by Mrs. Roberts, that he was walking along Kennedy Road about 6.45 p.m. on December 18 when defendant in his taxi drove up behind him and knocked him down. Defendant apologised for this, and witness alleged that Pau later came up to his room at the Courtland Hotel and asked that the accident should not be reported to the Police and his employer.

Defendant, in evidence, said he was answering a call from the Courtland Hotel, and was proceeding there when he saw Mr. and Mrs. Roberts in the road, zig-zagging about. When about to pass Mr. Roberts, defendant said, the rear left wheel of the car struck Mr. Roberts, and knocked him over.

Cross-examined by Mr. Silva yesterday, complainant said it did not occur to him to stop walking when the taxi was about to pass.

He found himself on his back after the taxi struck him, and was trying to get up from this position. Witness did not agree that the rear portion of the taxi hit him. He also did not agree that defendant said, "I did not see you," when he visited witness at the Hotel. Witness did not promise defendant that he would not take action against him.

Mrs. Roberts was then re-called, and replying to Mr. Silva, said she could not say if it was the rear of the taxi that struck her husband. She imagined it would be the front bumper which caused that, as Mr. Roberts was spun round, and fell on his back.

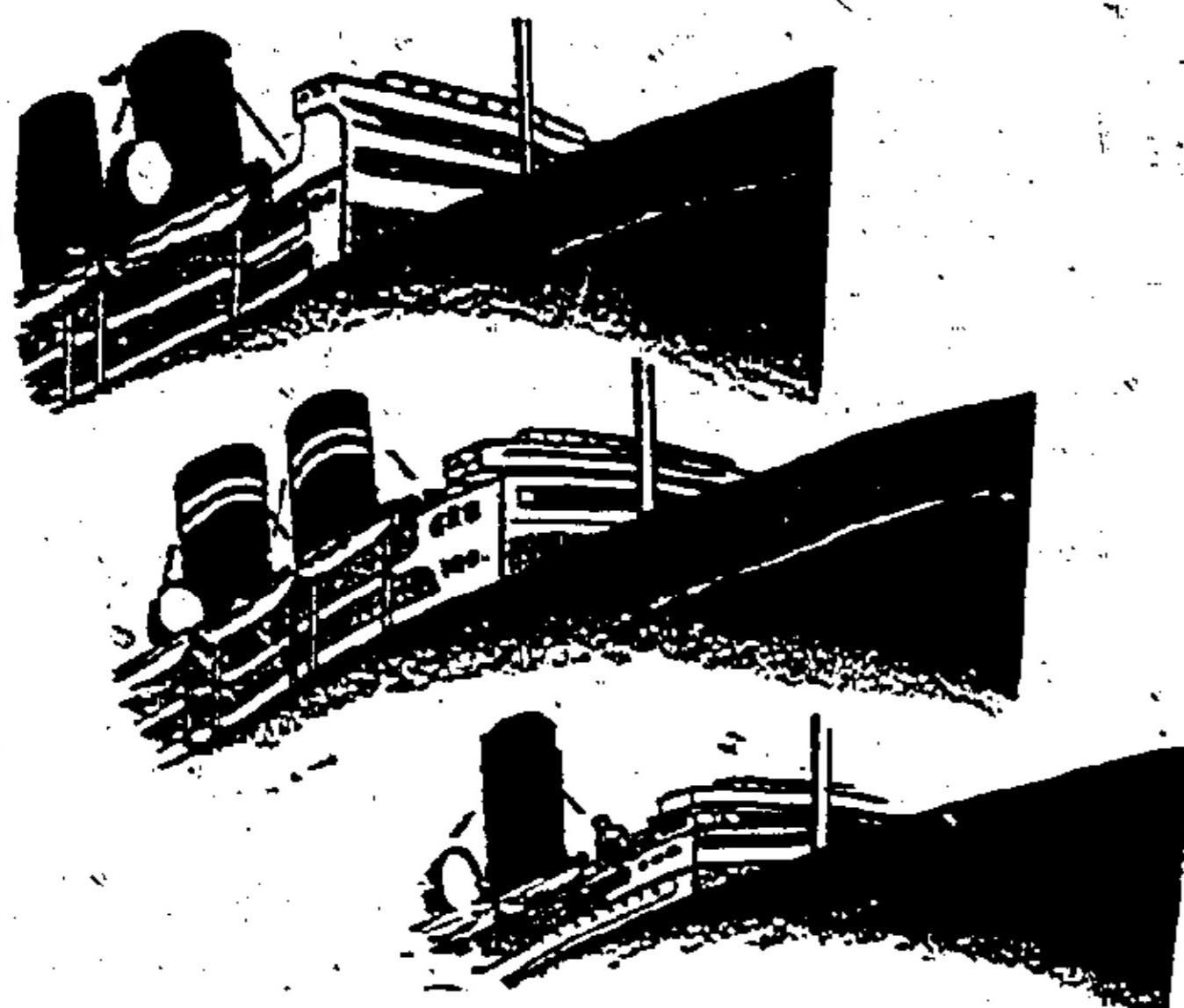
The Court then adjourned to inspect the scene of the accident, on the request of Mr. Silva.

Defence Submissions

On resuming, Mr. Silva addressed the Court, and suggested that the bamboo on the left side of Kennedy Road shaded Mr. and Mrs. Roberts to such an extent from the view of the driver that the accident could not be avoided. He submitted that there had been no negligence on the part of defendant. A great deal had been said about the rights of pedestrians and motorists on the road, but according to an authority, which counsel quoted no duty had been laid down that the driver should take extra precautions over pedestrians on the roadway. Defendant had given evidence that his speed had been about 10 miles an hour, and the question of excessive speed did not therefore arise. Counsel asked that defendant be given the benefit of the doubt and be discharged.

In giving his judgment, his Worship said that naturally Mr. Roberts would be a little confused as to what exactly occurred at the time of the accident, but in other respects, he had given a fair account of what had happened. He could not say as much for the evidence of the defence. The accused's story must have been covered by his wish to put an entirely different aspect on the case. It was a story which one could hardly base very much on. The point regarding the bamboo shading the complainant from the sight of defendant was very weak, but even taking that into consideration, his Worship said he found it incumbent upon himself to convict defendant on the charge of driving without due care and caution.

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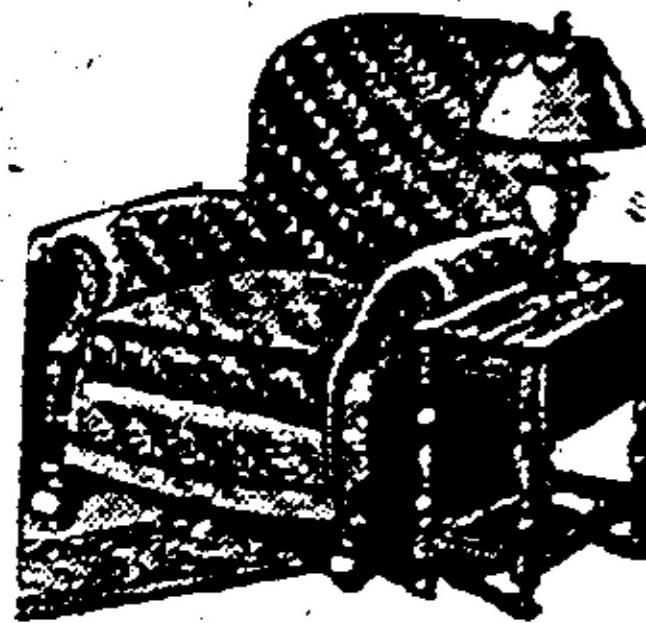
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Cinema Notes From The Theatres

"THE JUNGLE PRINCESS"—QUEEN'S THEATRE

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The stampede of a maddened elephant herd, a battle waged by manlike chimpanzees, and the charge of a tiger are some of the thrilling elements in "The Jungle Princess." Beautiful photography and splendid animal scenes make this romance one of the finest pictures of its type to reach the screen.

The role of the jungle maiden is played by Dorothy Lamour, radio star, and the man is Ray Milland. She saves him from a man-eating tiger, takes him to her cave, and nurses him back to life. He learns to love her and she returns his love with all the ardour and passion of her primitive soul. But when she returns to civilisation with him they are confronted by Molly Lamont, to whom Milland is betrothed and it is only in the face of a fear-crazed horde of natives intent upon slaying them that Milland makes his decision between the two.

Akim Tamiroff, Lynne Overman, and Mala all have important roles in "The Jungle Princess."

"HIS BROTHER'S WIFE"—ORIENTAL THEATRE

This picture, produced by Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer, with W. S. Van Dyke directing, brings Barbara Stanwyck and Robert Taylor to the screen in a spectacular romance. That alone is of striking significance.

Jean Hersholt is featured as a veteran in the far and dangerous places of the tropical jungle. Joseph Calleia scores in another of his seavey bad-man roles.

Van Dyke's tradition is superb. Of all the competent directors in Hollywood, none could have moulded this material so artfully as Van Dyke, with his knowledge of the jungle, from personal experience and likewise his familiarity with human emotions.

The daring story of young scientist who ventures into the jungle to find the cure for a dreaded malady and returns to the realisation that the woman he loves is his brother's wife, provides a dramatic vehicle for these distinguished stars.

"THE WHITE ANGEL"—CENTRAL THEATRE

"The White Angel," presenting the biography of Florence Nightingale, comes as more than a mere narrative in the life of a heroic woman. Through the life of this woman, played by Kay Francis, we see the sweeping events of those 1850's. There is the story of her valiant onslaught against the entrenched warlords of the British Cabinet who represented the intrusion of a woman—even one like Florence Nightingale—into the field-hospitals.

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In addition to Miss Francis other cast-members include Ian Hunter, Donald Woods, George Curzon, Henry O'Neill, Nigel Bruce, Halliwell Hobbes and many distinguished players.

"UNDER TWO FLAGS"—ALHAMBRA THEATRE

In a thundering dramatic spectacle that rivals the greatest of the screen's achievements, "Under Two Flags" brings to the screen Ouida's unforgettable story of a man redeemed from the Legions of the doomed by a woman's love.

The picture presents Ronald Colman, Claudette Colbert, Victor supporting cast.



The spearhead of General Franco's army against Madrid is formed by Moorish soldiers such as these. Their courage and discipline have been pointed out in dispatches as one of the reasons for the success of the government's citizens' troops.

McLaglen and Rosalind Russell, with a supporting cast of 10,000.

Colman is a private in the French Foreign Legion, loved by Miss Colbert. She, in turn, has captured the heart of McLaglen, his Major.

When Colman, who has fled from England to atone for his brother's crime, falls in love with the beautiful Rosalind Russell, the tale begins to rise to its peak of dramatic intensity.

At an isolated desert outpost, McLaglen attempts to get rid of Colman by sacrificing him to the revolting Arabs, but repents, and comes to the assistance of the cornered subordinate. The climax arrives when their entire force faces extinction. Then Miss Colbert leads the Legionnaires to their rescue and saves the man she loves so that he can go to the arms of another woman.

A supporting cast of character players assist the stars in their playing of this handsome and stirring photoplay.

ADVENTURE IN MANHATTAN—KING'S THEATRE

The production is based on the widely-read story by May Edgington, which was adapted to the screen by Sidney Buchman, Harry Sauber and Jack Kirkland, under the direction of Edward Ludwig.

The adventures alluded to in the title comprise many of the most hilarious sequences seen in recent movies. They concern a crime novel author and a Broadway stage star who unwittingly involve each other in a series of daring robberies of valuable art treasures. Joel McCrea and Jean Arthur are seen these respective roles with Reginald Owen, Herman Bing, Thomas Mitchell, John Gallandet, George Cooper, Robert Warwick and Victor Kilian in support.

TILL WE MEET AGAIN—STAR THEATRE

The heartaches of lovers, torn apart by their devotion to their respective countries, are dramatically brought to the screen in this picture, which shows two happy lovers, stars of the theatre in London, Herbert Marshall and his Viennese sweetheart, Gertude Michael, whose wedding plans are wrecked by the declaration of war. Marshall, as a loyal Englishman, joins his colours and Miss Michael, who, unknown to her sweetheart, is a member of the German Secret Service, places herself under the orders of her commanding officer.

Marshall is assigned to the British Intelligence Service, and enters Germany, disguised as a German soldier. Miss Michael is also stationed in Germany, and when, accidentally, she meets her lover, realises that her love for him is so great that she cannot betray him.

Unconsciously, however, she gives him away to the German authorities, as an English spy. Then she forgets her loyalty to her country, and risks death before a firing squad to save him.

The way in which the sweethearts outwit the German agents and make their successful escape across the border into a happier world of peace and love furnishes the unforgettable thrill climax.

Lionel Atwill, Rod La Rocque and Frank Reicher head the excellent supporting cast.

BRIDGE NOTES

By ELY CULBERTSON

Getting The Maximum Result

A bridge player is often confronted with problems requiring the most accurate weighing of probabilities to determine which is the better thing to do—to double an adverse bid which he feels must be defeated, or to proceed to a game contract himself and face the possibility of defeat. Questions of this type have a great bearing upon winning or losing at bridge.

In to-day's hand the South player, Mr. A. Moyse, Jr., of New York, made what proved to be the correct decision. Though in the play both he and his partner, Mrs. Estelle Jaeger, faced difficult problems, they solved them triumphantly and defeated their vulnerable opponents 500 points. The game was duplicate, and the decision was a close one, for five clubs can be made by South, and a set of one trick would not have been enough to compensate for a lost game. The hand was:

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TOLL OF ROADS IN HONG KONG

The Weekly Traffic Return

The officially-prepared analysis of road accidents in the Colony last week state that in the Hong Kong, including the Island Kowloon and the New Territories, during the week ended Saturday, there were altogether 48 traffic accidents, as the result of which one person was killed and 15 persons were injured.

The person killed, a Chinese female medicant, aged about 20 years, died from injuries received when she was knocked down by a private motor car whilst stepping off the footpath.

Of the persons injured, 11 were residents who were either walking or running across the road or stepping off the footpath and were struck by vehicles.

One bus passenger and a tramcar passenger were injured whilst alighting from a moving motor bus and a moving tramcar respectively.

Two cyclists were injured as the result of collisions between vehicles.

Of the 48 accidents, 20 were collisions between vehicles; 18 were collisions between vehicles and pedestrians; and 10 accidents were due to other causes.

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GERMAN NAVAL DECISION

CREW OF SPANISH SHIPS FREED

VESSELS HANDED TO FRANCO

Berlin, To-day. The German navy has released the passengers and crews of the Spanish vessels "Aragon" and "Marta Junquera" but has virtually confiscated the vessels, by the process of transferring them to the control of the Burgos authorities.

The crew and passengers of the Aragon which was seized as a reprisal for the Palos incident, were released off the North Spanish coast on Monday last; while those aboard the Marta Junquera were released last Tuesday off Malaga according to an official announcement.

It is understood that both these vessels have now been handed over to the Nationalist authorities.

BRITISH ASSISTANCE

It is learned that the crew of the Aragon were taken off the German pocket-battleship Graf von Spee, by a British Destroyer at the request of the Spanish Government, outside territorial waters and were landed at Malaga. Reuter.

PEOPLE'S PALACE OPENING

King And Queen To Pay A Visit

London, To-day. The prospective engagements of the King and Queen after Their Majesties' return to London include a visit to the British Industries Fair, which opens at Olympia on February 15th, and a visit on the second Saturday in February to the People's Palace in the Mile End Road.

The new People's Palace was to have been opened by King Edward VIII on December 12, last but the engagement was cancelled—British Wireless.

CABINET TALKS

Mr. Eden Pays Visit To No. 10

London, To-day. Before leaving to spend a weekend at Chequers the Prime Minister to-day had further consultations with Cabinet Ministers preparatory to the reassembly of Parliament next Tuesday. The Foreign Secretary and the First Lord of Admiralty were among those who called at No. 10, Downing Street—British Wireless.

LEAGUE COUNCIL

Mr. Anthony Eden To Attend

London, To-day. The Foreign Secretary is leaving London on Wednesday, according to present arrangements, to attend the meeting of the League of Nations Council to-day week.

The main items on the Council Agenda are the dispute between the French and Turkish Governments regarding Alexandrette and the question of the Free City of Danzig—British Wireless.

CANTON WHARVES RECONSTRUCTION

Official Action At Owners' Cost

Canton, To-day. Mr. Lin Yat-men, Director of Public Works, has been instructed by Mr. Tseng Yang-fu, Mayor of Canton, to rebuild all wharves on the Bund in Canton.

It is learned that Mr. Lin is dividing the wharves into six different kinds, and will charge the building costs against the respective landlords. — Our Own Correspondent.

French Military Plane Crashes

To-day, two persons were killed and two slightly injured when a hydroplane from the military aerodrome at Houston plunged into a lake due to some undetermined reason.—Trans-Ocean.

EMPIRE AIR MAIL SCHEME

AUSTRALIA STILL IN THE DARK

PROTEST VOICED AT CANBERRA

Sydney, To-day. Despite repeated requests, Australia is still awaiting details from Britain regarding Australian bases and the air-mail flying boats in connection with the Empire Air Mail scheme.

This statement was made to-day by the Australian Minister for Defence, the Hon. Sir Robert Archdale Parkhill, K.C.M.G., who declared that unfair partisanship had done more to make the British Air Mail scheme unpopular in Australia than anything else.

According to private message from Canberra to Melbourne, the British Government has not been able to agree to Australia's request for the provision that she will have the right to withdraw from the scheme if the Singapore-Australia Flying-Boat service proves to be unsatisfactory.

The messages indicated that the Australia Cabinet might not at present approve of the draft scheme.—Reuter.

SOVIET TRADE IN POLAND

New Treaty Causing Difficulties

Moscow, To-day. Negotiators for a renewal of the Russian-Polish trade treaty which expired on January 1, are meeting with difficulties in arriving at an agreement, firstly, as to the quantity and mode of settling accounts for raw materials and semi-manufactured products imported into Poland from Russia. Secondly, the same questions concerning the import of products of the Polish metal industries into Soviet-Russia.

One concrete offer which promises to facilitate the discovery of a solution is that Russia declares itself prepared to guarantee the purchase of a considerable quantity of the output of the Upper Silesian Bismarck metallurgical works.—Trans-Ocean.

COUNTY RUGBY TITLE

London, To-day. In the only County Rugby championship encounter played yesterday, at Oxford, Oxfordshire beat Kent by 5 points to 3.—British Wireless.

TERRITORIAL RECRUITING

London, To-day.

During December, new recruits to the Territorial Army numbered 2,846, an increase of 120% over December, 1935. Recruiting for the Territorial Army was heavier last year than in any year since 1925.—British Wireless.

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GOERING'S TALKS WITH IL DUCE

PALACE VISIT

Rome, Today. General Goering had a further hour's talk with Signor Mussolini this afternoon, at which it is understood, the situation in Spain was the principal subject of discussion.

It is believed that the terms of the Italian reply to the British Note on the question of volunteers is being drawn up in consultation with Gen. Goering, who afterwards expressed satisfaction with the outcome of the meeting.

Il Duce is entertaining General Goering at a State Banquet this evening.—Reuter.

WREATH CEREMONY

Rome, To-day.—General Hermann Goering yesterday placed wreaths on the Tomb of the Unknown Warrior and on the monument of the Fascist Revolution heroes, afterwards driving to the Quirinal Palace, where he was received by the King. Victor Emmanuel.

As a special courtesy, the Italian Government's famous Villa Madama on the hill beyond the Tiber River has been placed at General Goering's disposal during his stay in the Italian capital.

The Villa Madama was built by Raffael for Cardinal Medici, and was later the residence of Madame Margaret of Parma, daughter of Emperor Charles V.

While it was the property of the King of Naples in the 19th century, the great pianist, Franz Liszt, had his studio there.

The villa was recently restored by the Fascist Government and affords a marvellous view of the eternal city and the Sabine mountains.—Trans-Ocean.

SPAIN LODGES PROTEST

Against Concern In Her Gold Affairs

London, To-day. A Note from the Spanish Government has been lodged with the British Foreign Office, protesting against the raising of the question of Spanish gold at the Non-Intervention Committee's meeting.

The Note declared that the Spanish Government cannot admit that the Committee can deal with this matter.—Reuter.

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